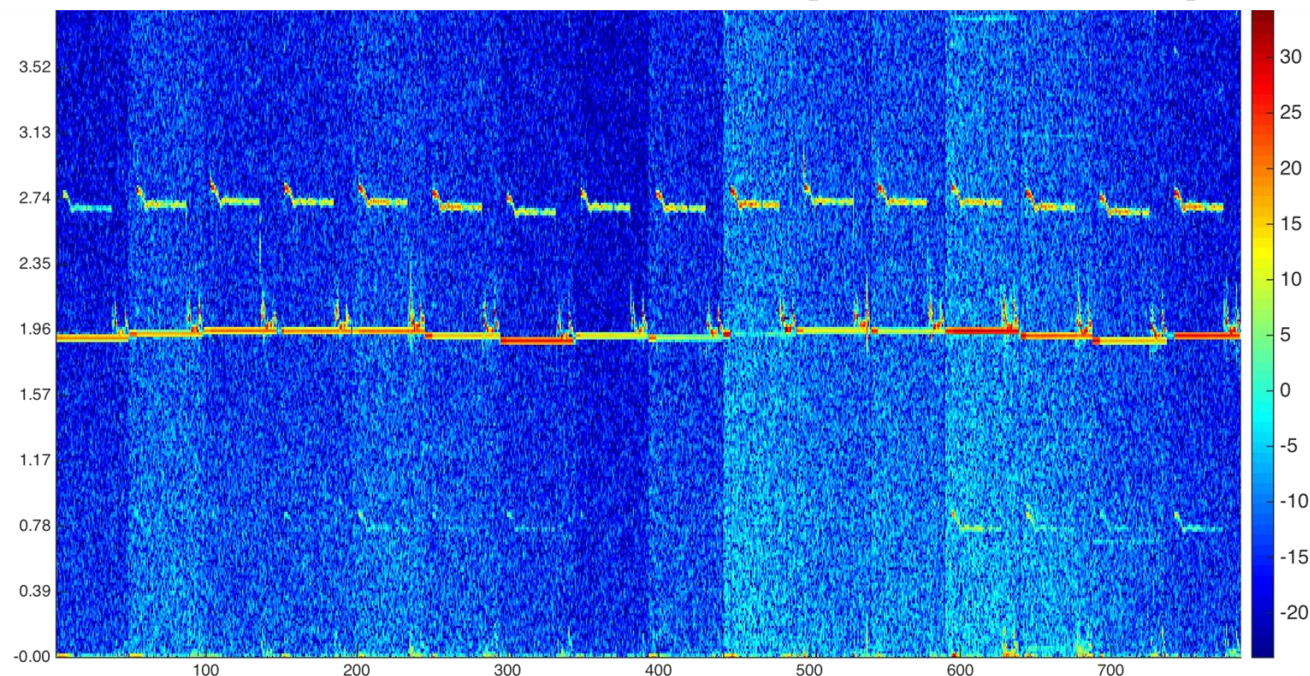


Some Practical Issues in Deep-Time Multiplexing



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Outline

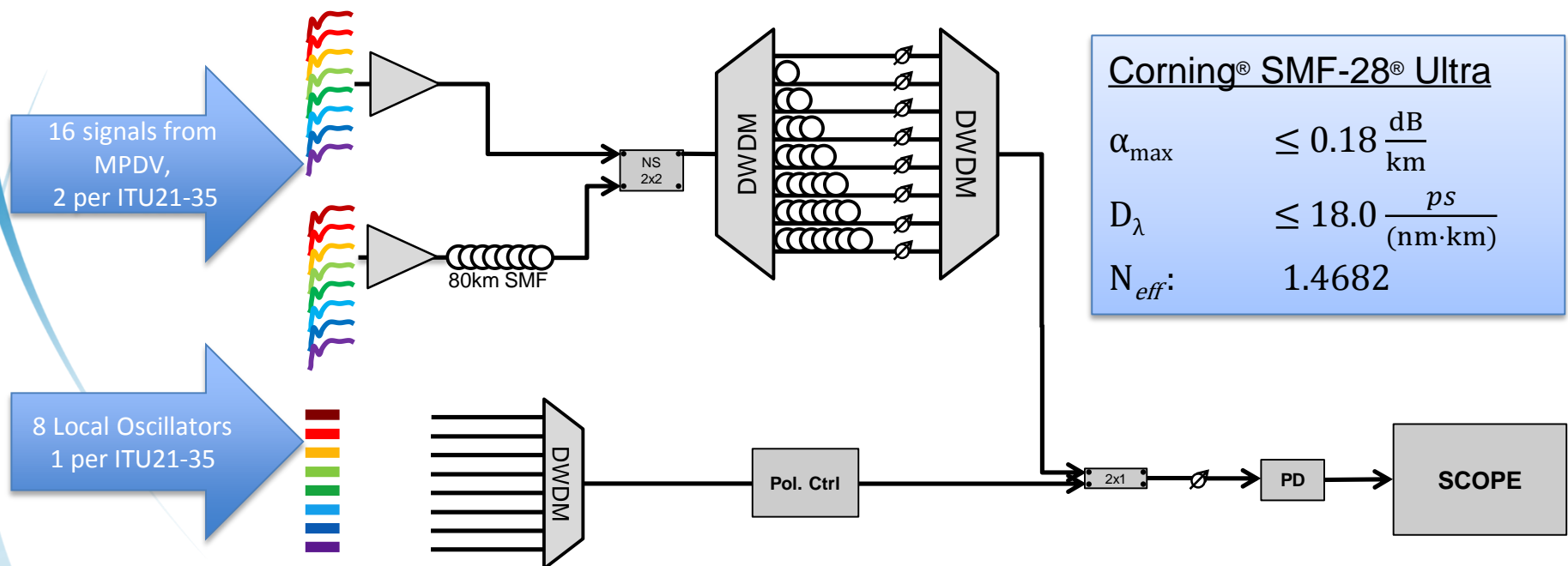
- ▶ Deep-time multiplexing
 - Conceptual design

- ▶ Index of refraction variations
 - Wavelength
 - Temperature

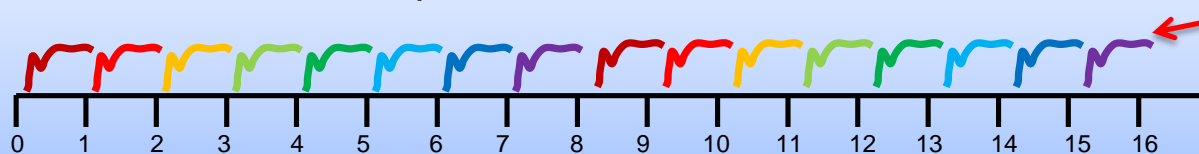
- ▶ State of Polarization
 - Stability
 - Control

Deep-Time Approach ROADDM

► Reconfigurable Optical Add Drop “Delay” Module



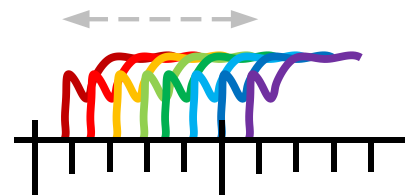
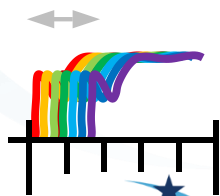
800μs record at detector



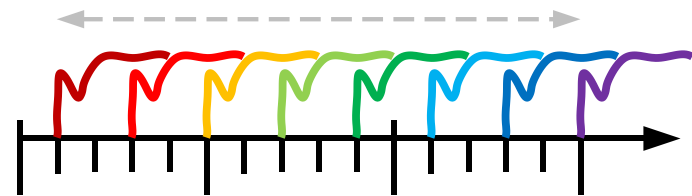
Wavelength-Dependent Index of Refraction

• Index of Refraction,		
• Phase Velocity, v_p	$\frac{\omega}{k}$	$\frac{c_0}{n(\lambda)}$
• Group Velocity, v_g	$\frac{d\omega}{dk}$; $d\lambda = \frac{-\lambda^2}{2\pi c_0} d\omega$	$\frac{c_0}{n(\lambda)} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n} \frac{dn}{d\lambda}\right)^{-1}$
• Group Velocity Dispersion, GVD	$\frac{d^2k}{d\omega^2}$	$\frac{\lambda^3}{2\pi c_0^2} \frac{d^2n}{d\lambda^2}$
• Group Delay, $\tau_g = \frac{L}{v_g} = \frac{d\phi}{d\omega}$	$\frac{d\phi}{d\omega} = \frac{d(kL)}{d\omega}$	$\frac{n}{c_0} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n} \frac{dn}{d\lambda}\right) L$
• Group Delay Dispersion, GDD	$\frac{d\tau_g}{d\omega} = \frac{d^2(kL)}{d\omega^2}$	$\frac{\lambda^3}{2\pi c_0^2} \frac{d^2n}{d\lambda^2} L$

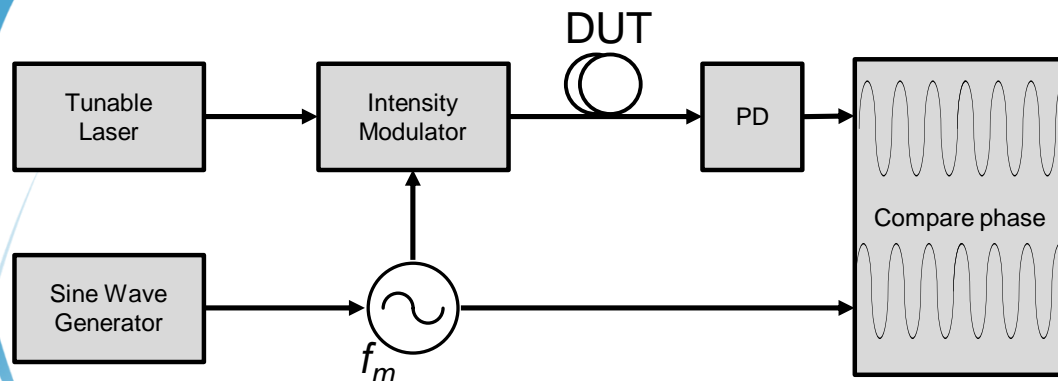
$$18 \left[\frac{\text{ps}}{\text{nm} \cdot \text{km}} \right] \times 10 [\text{km}] \times (1560.61 - 1549.32) [\text{nm}] = 2.032 \text{ ns}$$



$$18 \left[\frac{\text{ps}}{\text{nm} \cdot \text{km}} \right] \times 150 [\text{km}] \times (1560.61 - 1549.32) [\text{nm}] = 30.483 \text{ ns}$$



Modulation Phase Shift Dispersion Measurement



Measurement setup for fiber chromatic dispersion

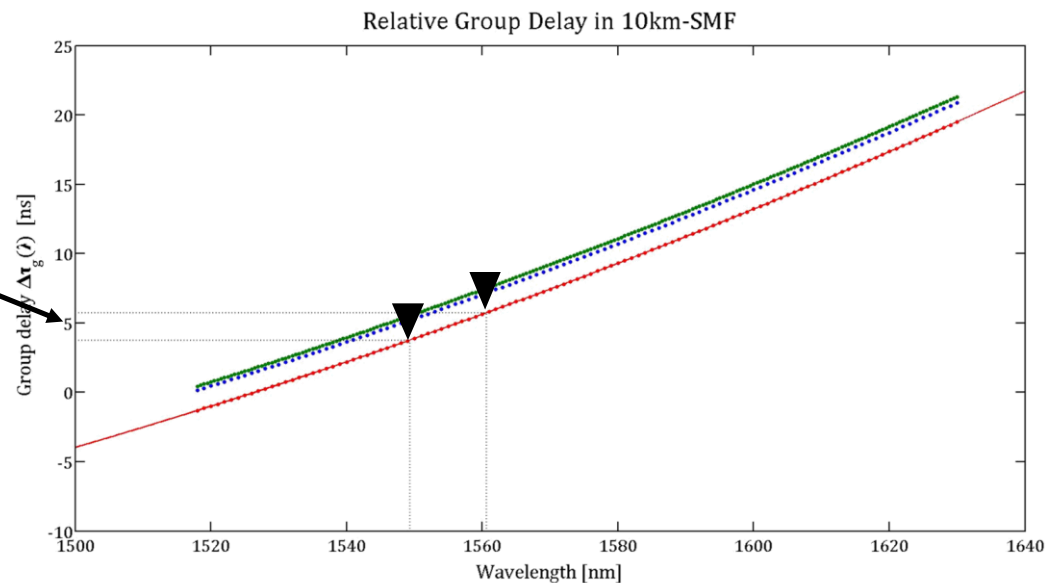
$$\Delta\tau_g(\lambda) = \frac{\varphi(\lambda) - \varphi(\lambda_r)}{360^\circ} \frac{1}{f_m}$$

$$D(\lambda) = \frac{1}{L} \frac{d(\Delta\tau_g(\lambda))}{d\lambda} = \frac{1}{360^\circ L f_m} \frac{d\varphi(\lambda)}{d\lambda}$$

$$\Delta\tau(\lambda) = 0.00029598\lambda^2 - 0.7348\lambda + 440.16$$

$$\Delta\tau(1560.61\text{nm}) - \Delta\tau(1549.32\text{nm}) = 1.97305\text{ns}$$

$$D_\lambda = \frac{1973.05\text{ps}}{11.29\text{nm} \cdot 10\text{km}} = 17.476 \left[\frac{\text{ps}}{\text{nm} \cdot \text{km}} \right]$$



Temperature-Dependent Index of Refraction

LUNA Technical Note EN_FY1406,

$$\frac{\Delta\tau}{\tau} = \frac{1}{L} \frac{\partial L}{\partial T} \Delta T + \frac{1}{n} \frac{\partial n}{\partial T} \Delta T = (\alpha_L + \alpha_n) \Delta T$$

α_L : thermal expansion coeff

$$0.55 \times 10^{-6} \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$$

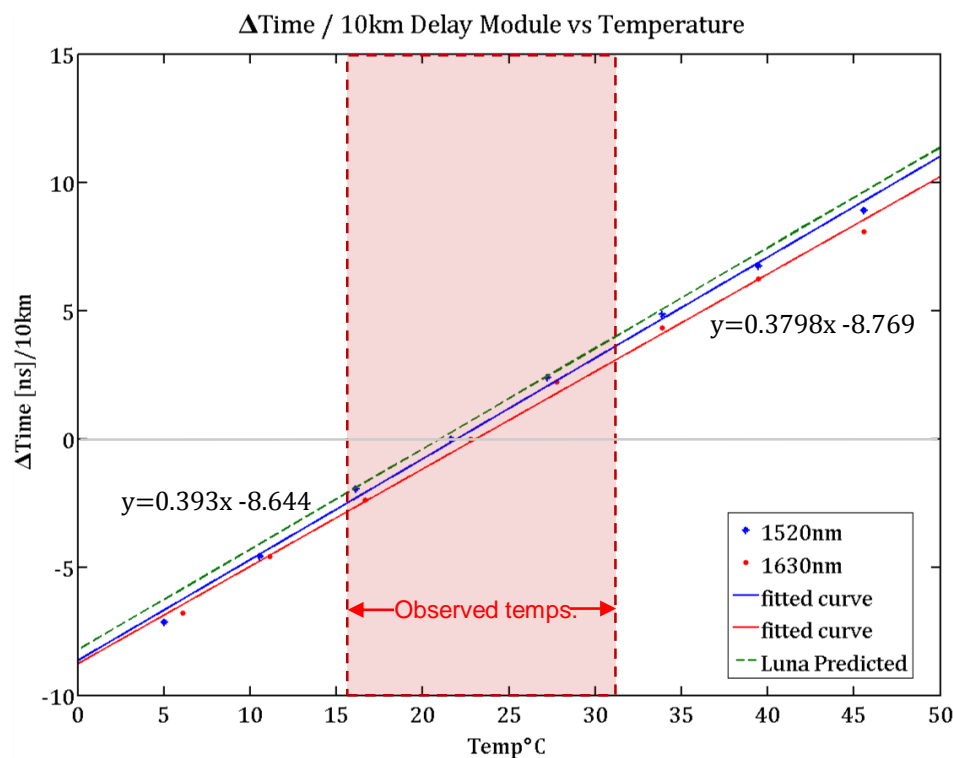
α_n : thermo-optic coeff

$$\sim 7.0 \text{ to } 9.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$$

(7.5×10^{-6} used below)

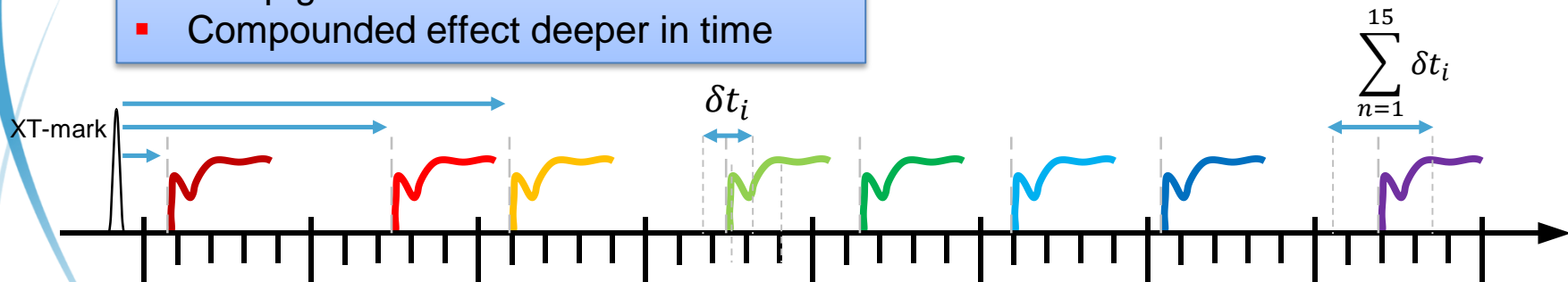
$$385 \frac{\text{ps}}{^\circ\text{C} \cdot 10\text{km}} \cdot 15 \text{ delays} = 5.78 \frac{\text{ns}}{^\circ\text{C}}$$

$$\left(210 \frac{\text{ps}}{^\circ\text{F} \cdot 10\text{km}} \cdot 15 \text{ delays} = 3.15 \frac{\text{ns}}{^\circ\text{F}} \right)$$

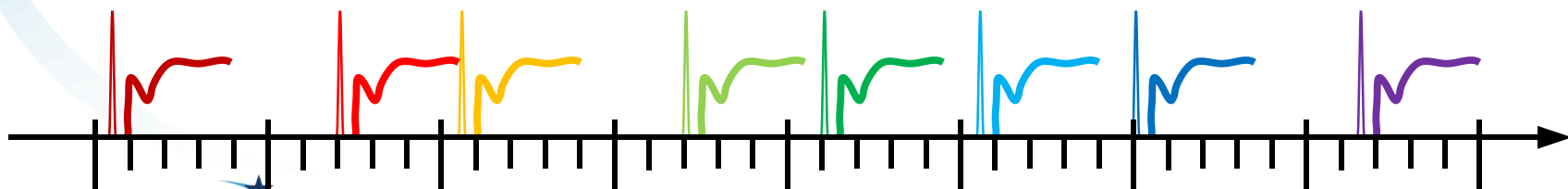
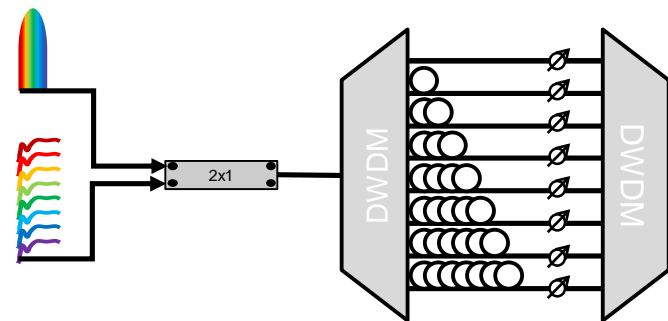


In situ Cross-Timing Mark

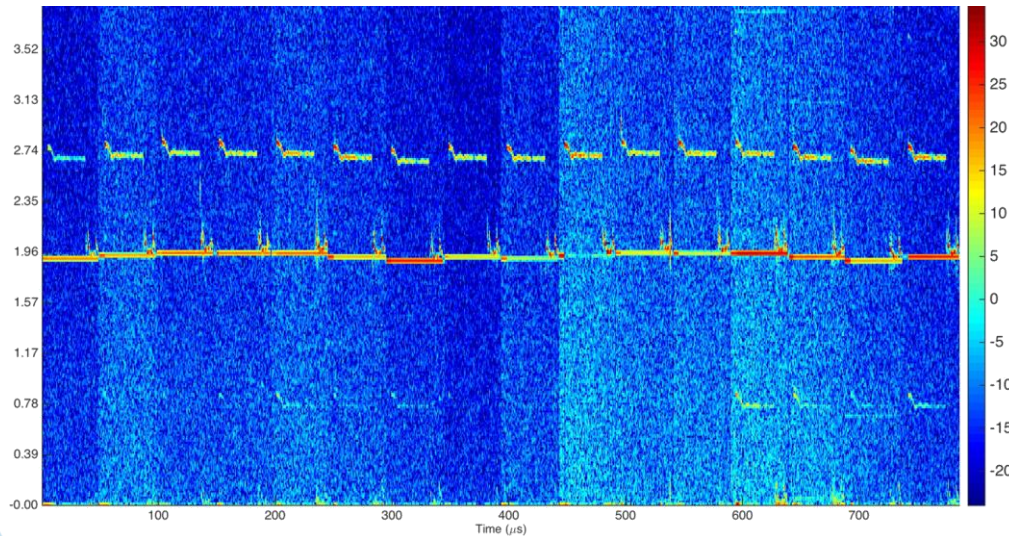
- Single XT-mark for 16 records (only 8 shown)
- Temperature fluctuations $\sim 1\text{--}16\text{ ns}$
- Temp gradients = inconsistent δt
- Compounded effect deeper in time



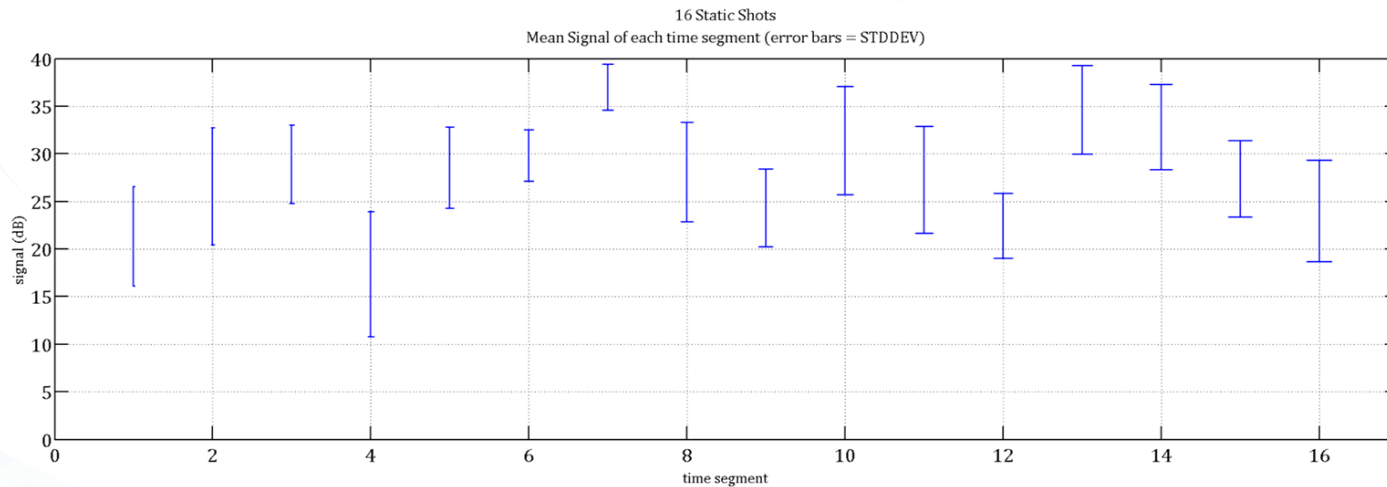
- ✓ XT-mark in each time window
 - ✓ Follow temp-time fluctuations
- ✓ XT-mark inherently same λ as velocity record



Static Signal Fluctuations

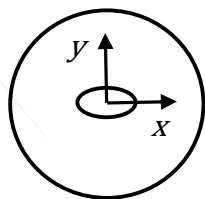


- All channels seeing same probe
- 30 m jumpers to firing chamber
- Shot-to-shot variability ~10 dB

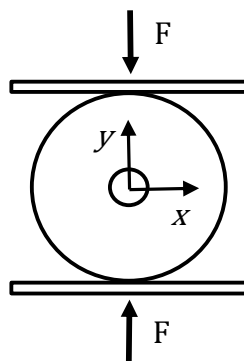


Polarization/Induced Birefringence

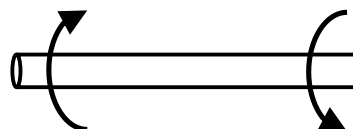
- Real single-mode fibers exhibit elliptical birefringence due to
 - Deviations of core shape from circularity
 - Lateral compression
 - Residual twist
 - Bending



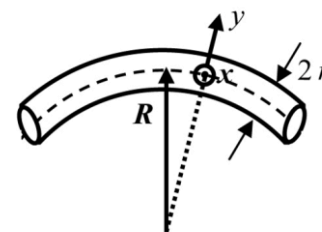
Core ellipticity



Compression

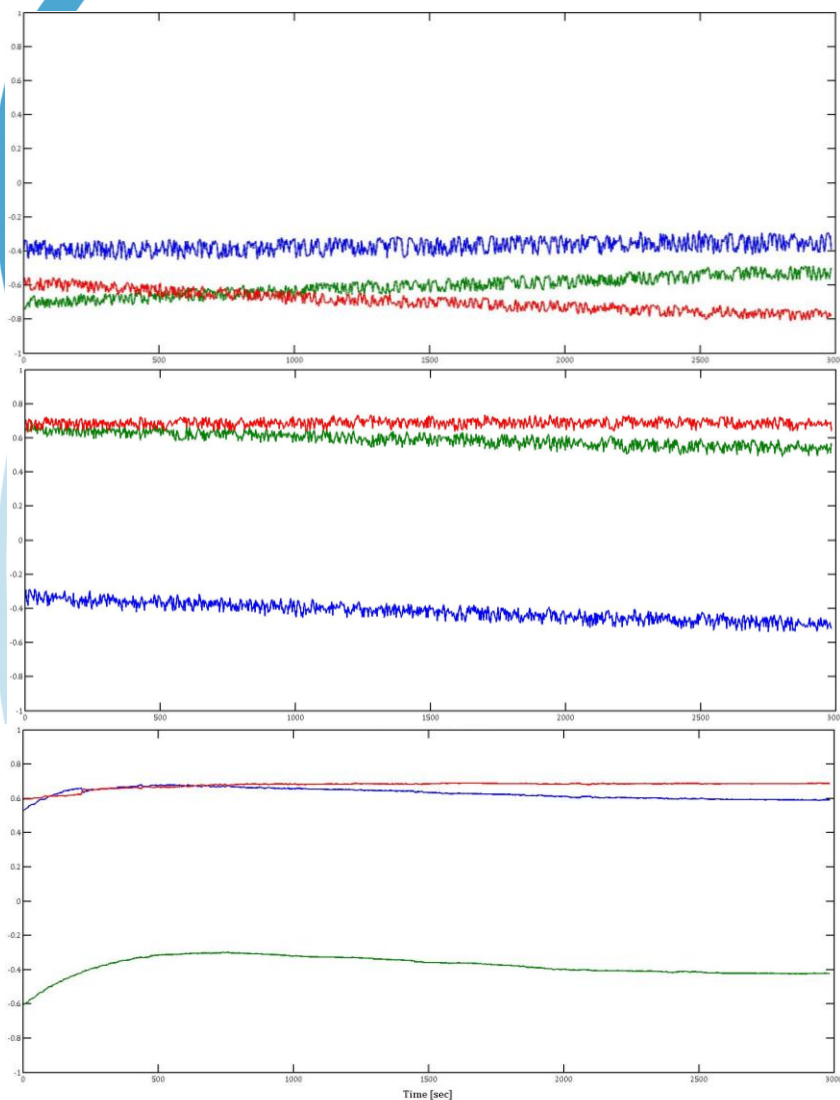


Twist



Bending

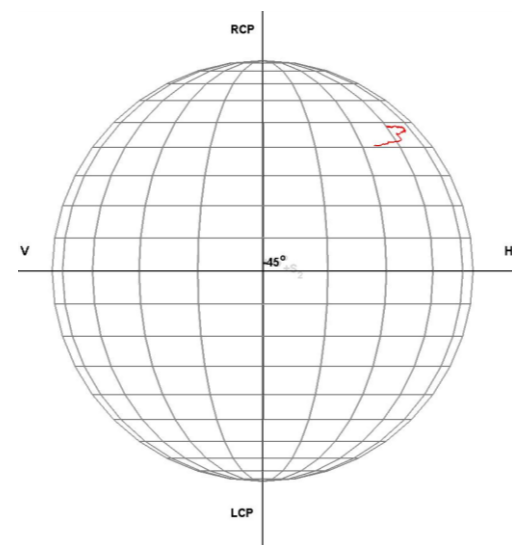
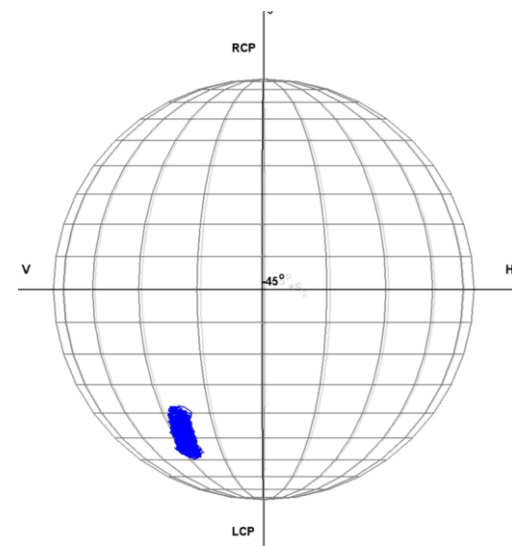
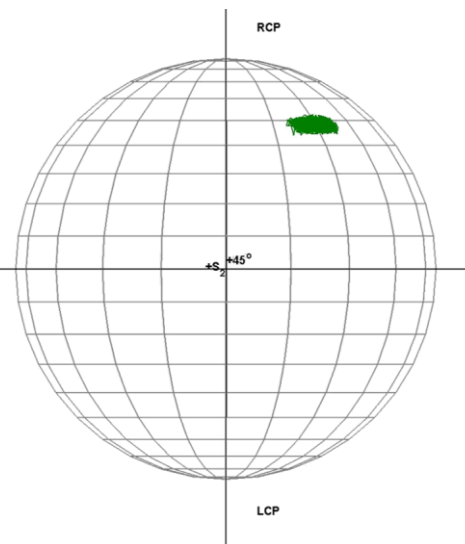
Stokes Parameters vs. 50 min



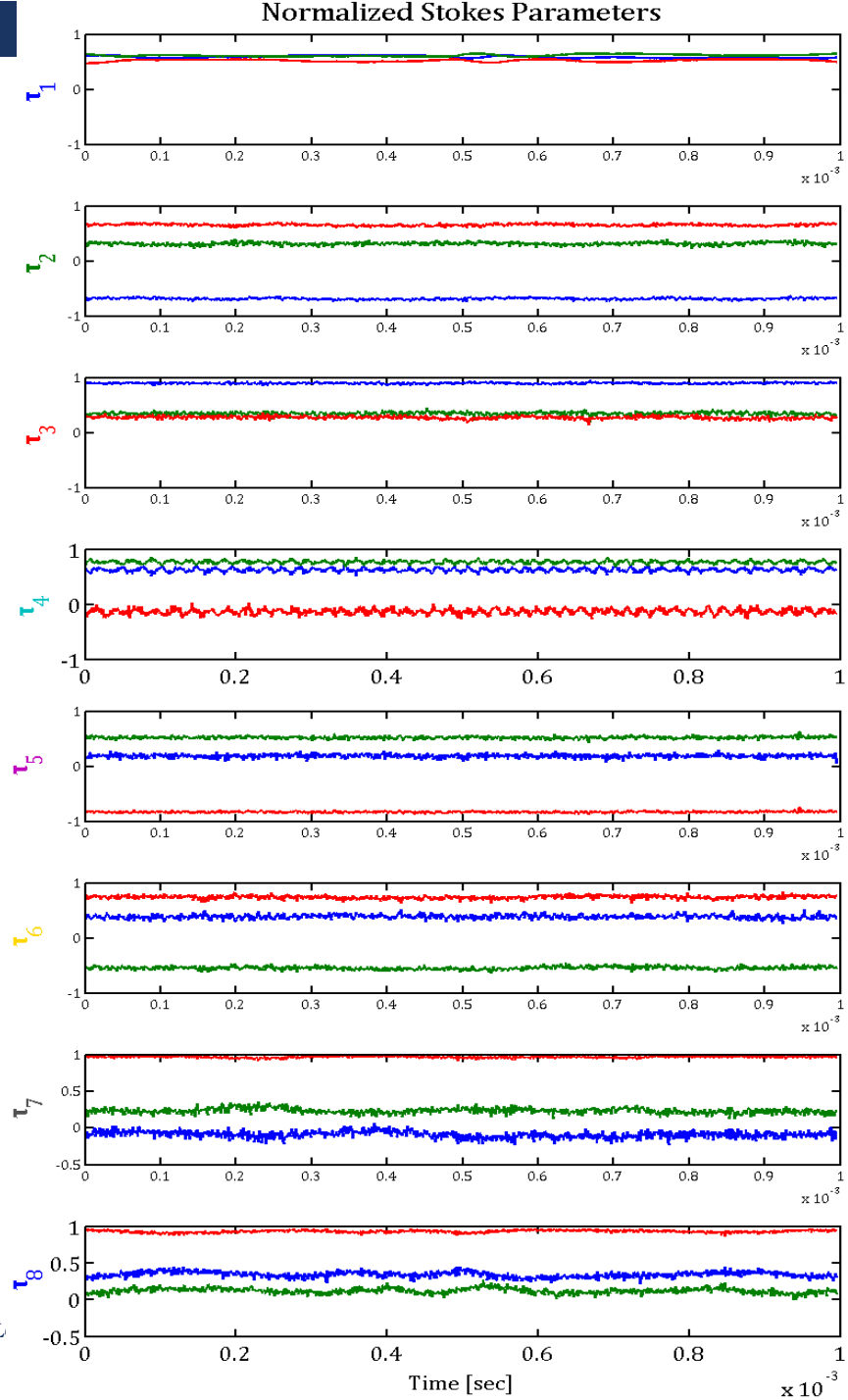
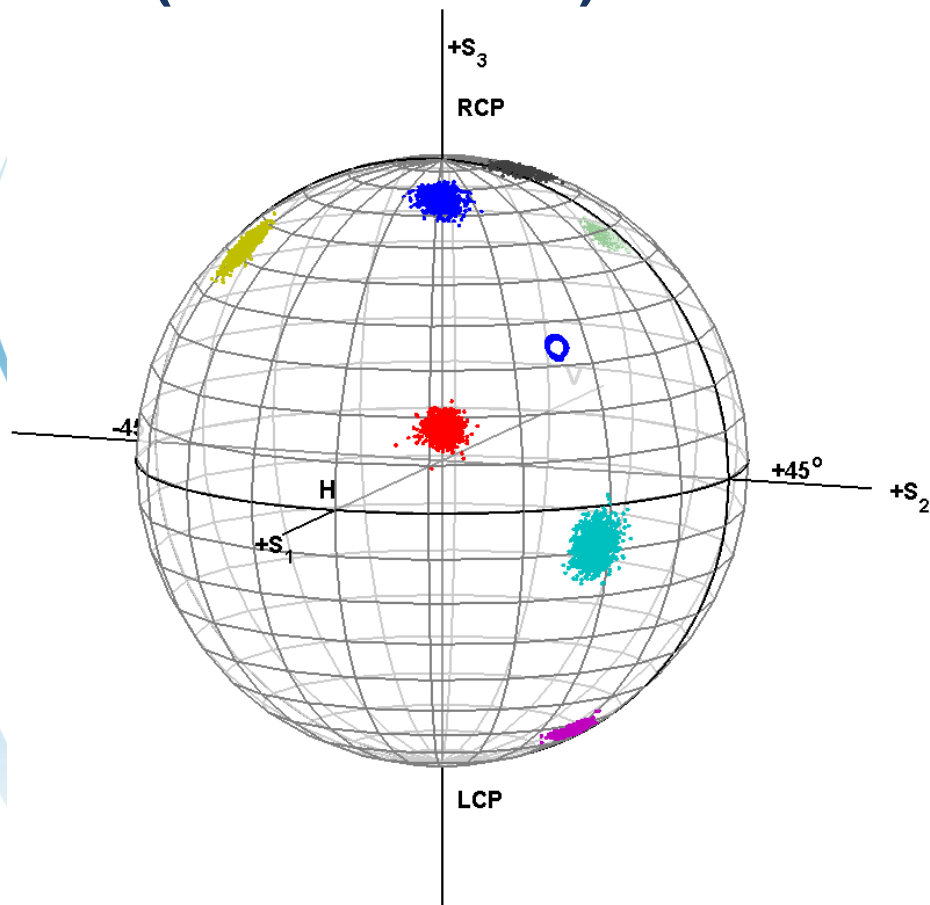
τ_1

τ_8

L021

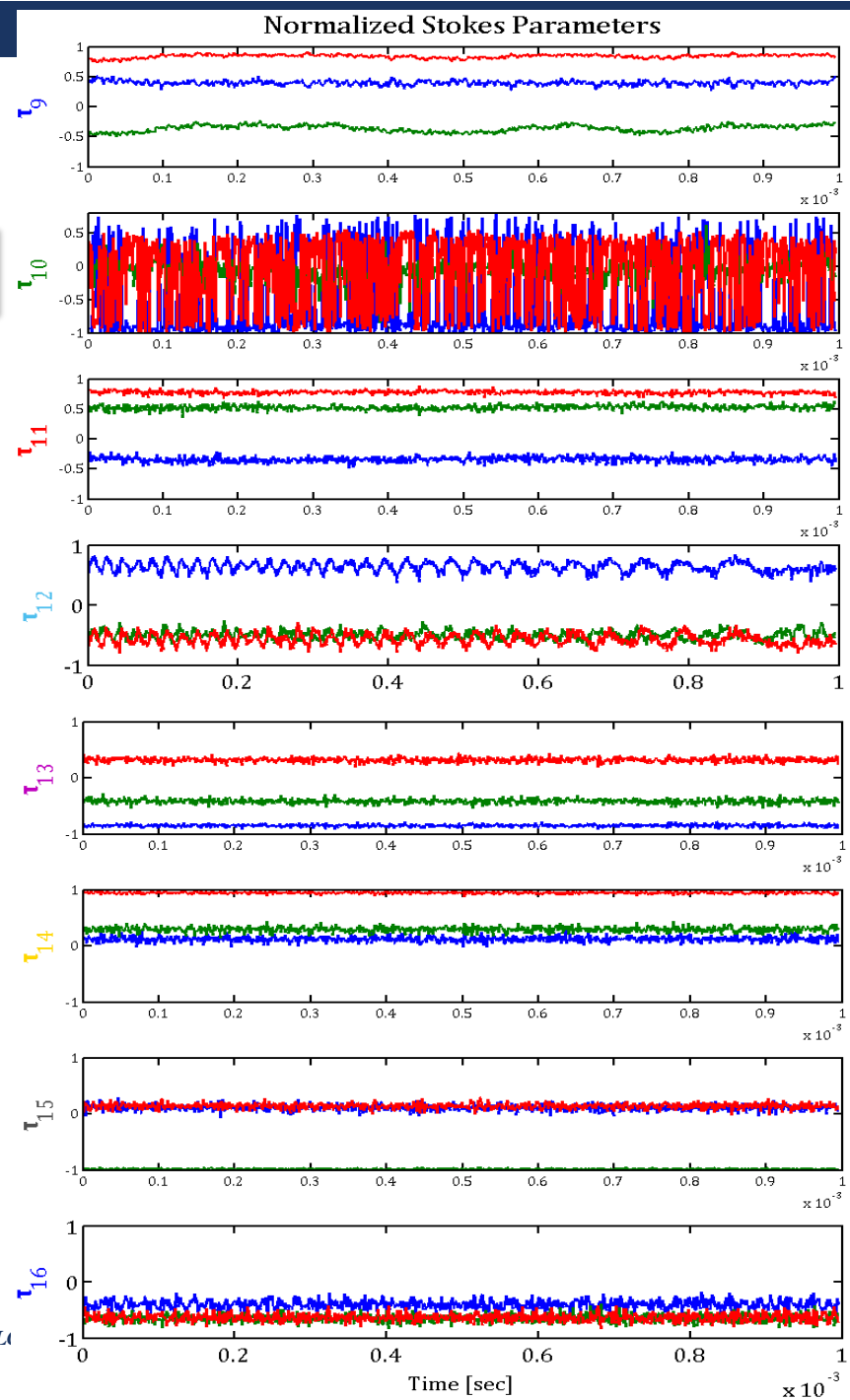
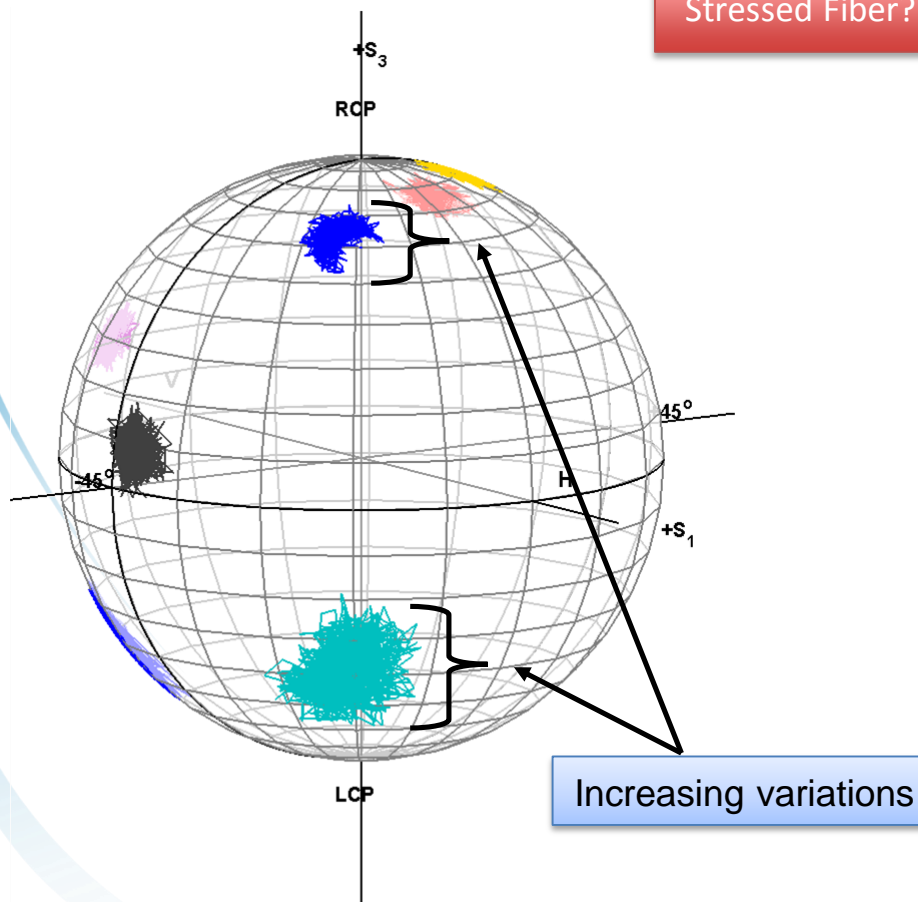


Tau Windows 1 through 8 (1 millisecond)

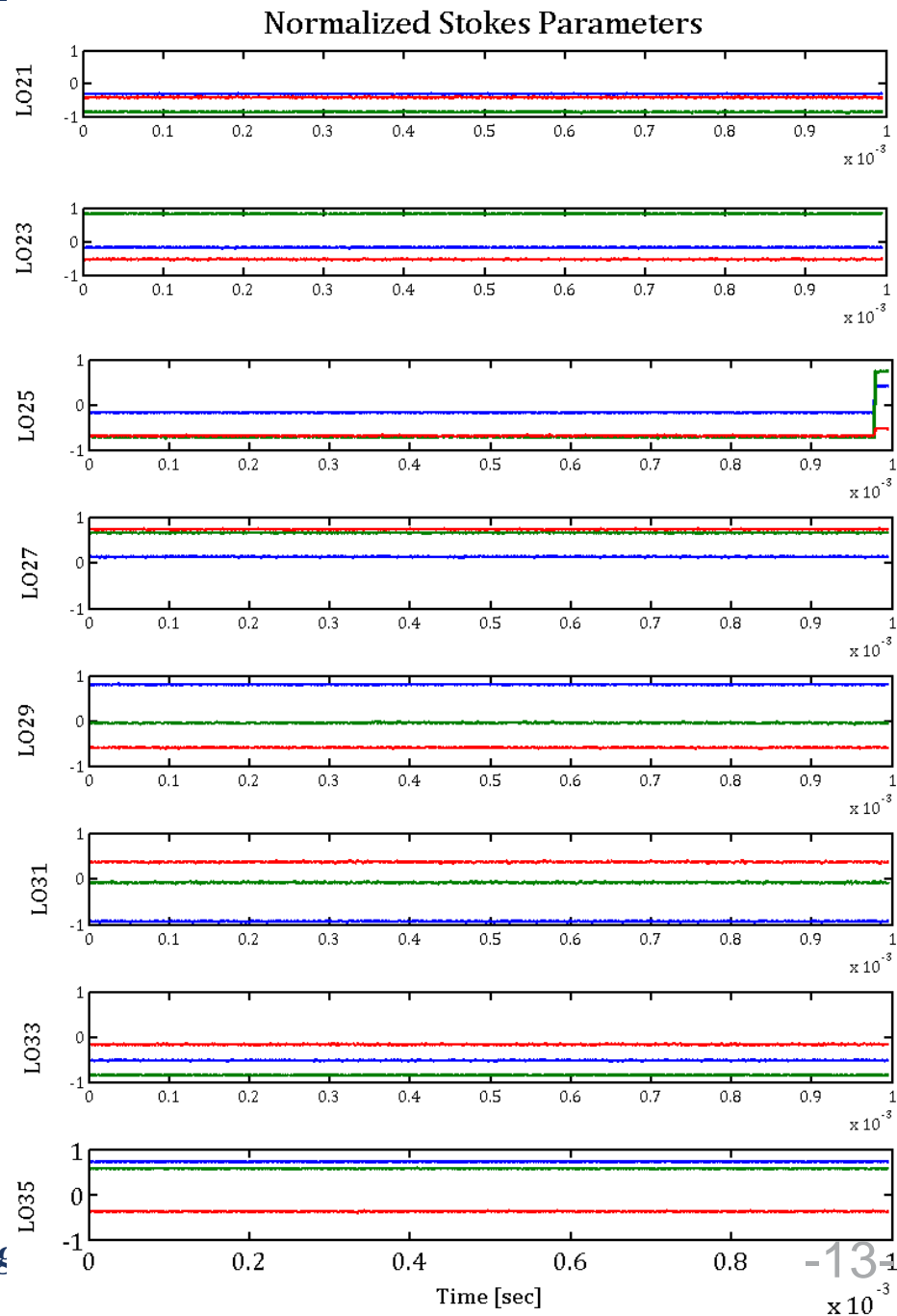
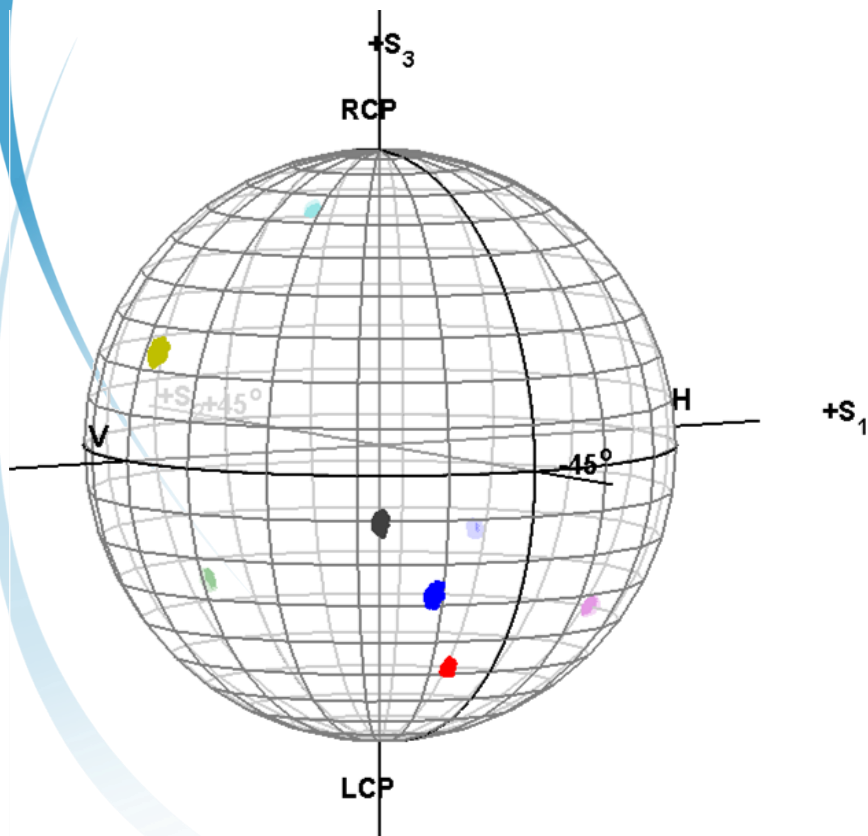


Tau Windows 9 through 16 (1 millisecond)

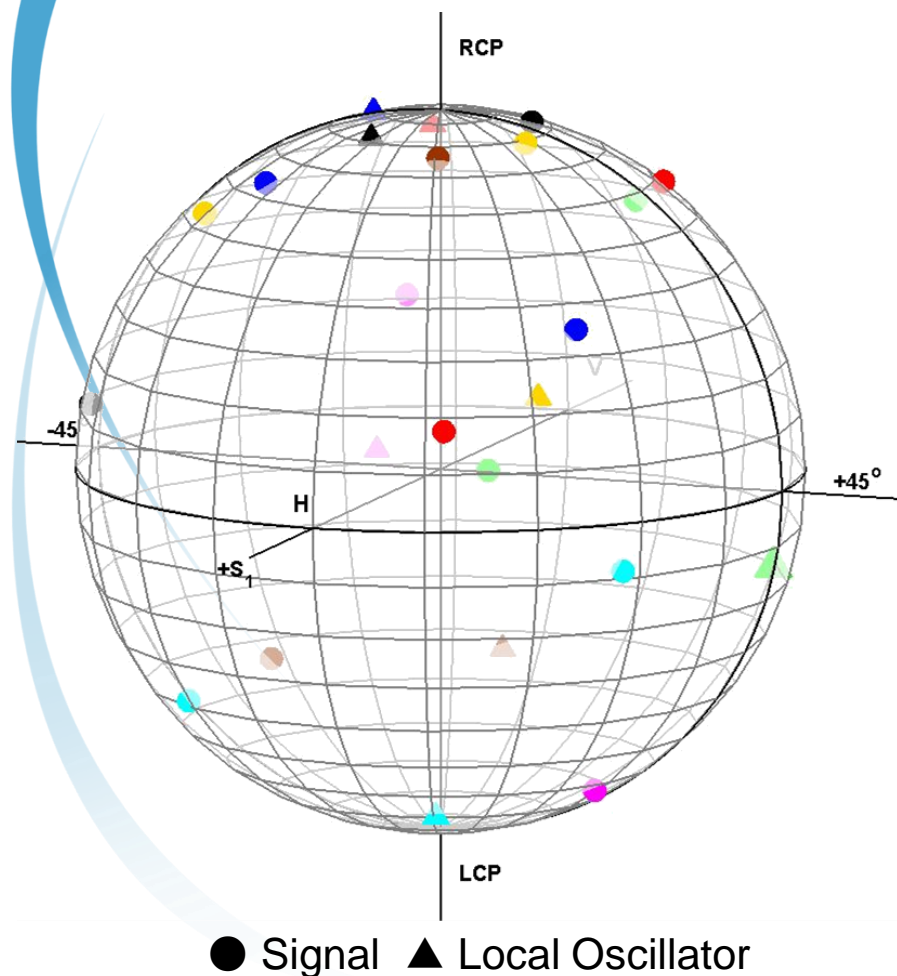
Stressed Fiber?



Local Oscillator SOP (1 millisecond)



Aligning Local Oscillators with Signals



$$QW_1 = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad QW_2 = \frac{5\pi}{3} \quad QW_3 = \frac{\pi}{3} \quad QW_4 = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

Dot Products (Signal, LO)

$$\tau_1 = 0.3546 \quad \tau_9 = 0.8797 \quad \text{ITU21}$$

$$\tau_2 = 0.4207 \quad \tau_{10} = 0.3000 \quad \text{ITU23}$$

$$\tau_3 = -0.1510 \quad \tau_{11} = 0.7326 \quad \text{ITU25}$$

$$\tau_4 = 0.5092 \quad \tau_{12} = 0.7100 \quad \text{ITU27}$$

$$\tau_5 = -0.3259 \quad \tau_{13} = 0.8980 \quad \text{ITU29}$$

$$\tau_6 = 0.2449 \quad \tau_{14} = 0.5950 \quad \text{ITU31}$$

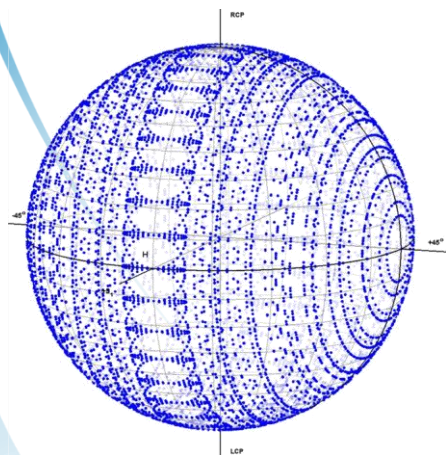
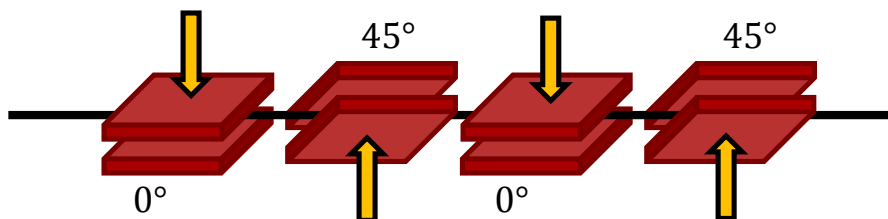
$$\tau_7 = 0.8789 \quad \tau_{15} = 0.2652 \quad \text{ITU33}$$

$$\tau_8 = -0.8642 \quad \tau_{16} = 0.7807 \quad \text{ITU35}$$

$$-1 \leq [\text{Signal} \cdot \text{LO}] \leq 1$$

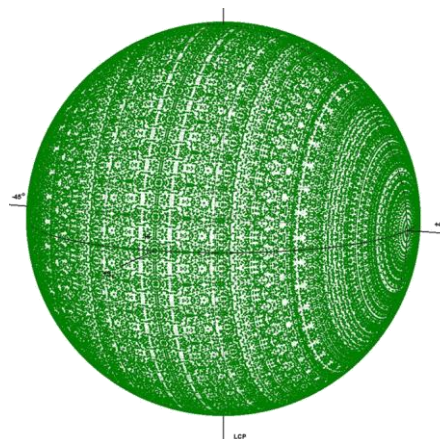
Polarization Controllers – Fiber Squeezers (EPC-300)

- Not all inputs are affected equally!



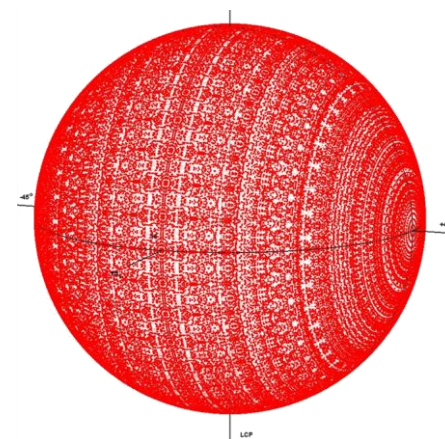
$$S_{out} = M_{0^{\circ}45^{\circ}0^{\circ}45^{\circ}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Linear Horizontal



$$S_{out} = M_{0^{\circ}45^{\circ}0^{\circ}45^{\circ}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

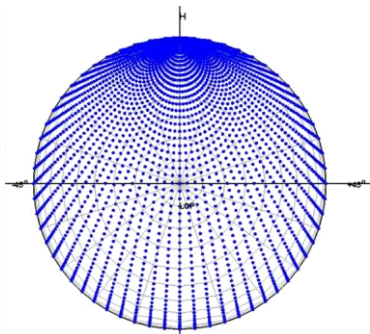
Linear +45



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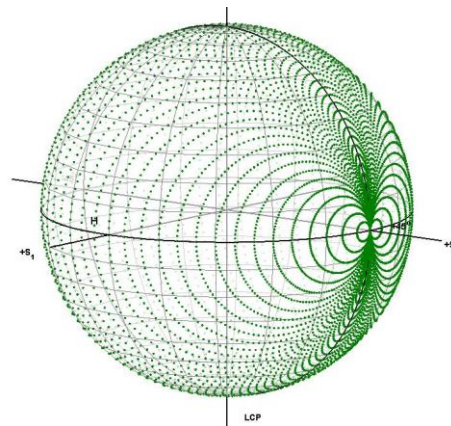
Right Circular

Polarization Controllers – PolarRITE (VarRotQWP)



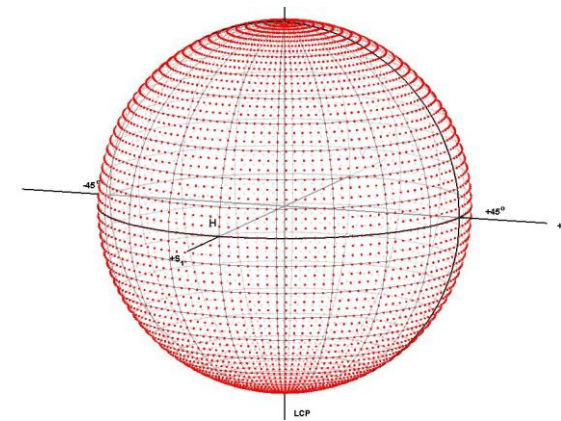
$$S_{out} = M_{\theta,\varphi} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Linear Horizontal



$$S_{out} = M_{\theta,\varphi} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

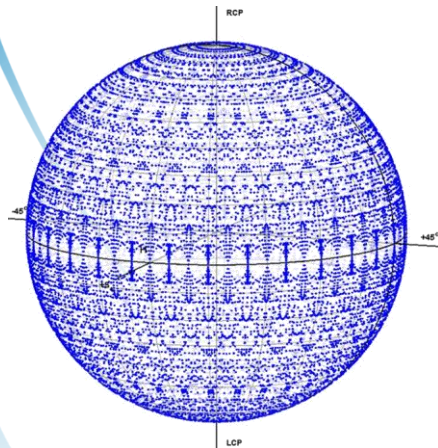
Linear +45



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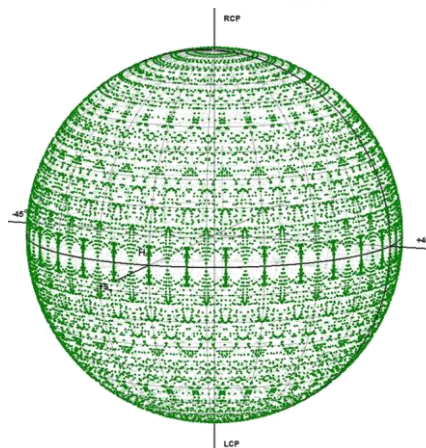
Right Circular

Polarization Controllers 3-Paddle (RQW-RHW-RQW)



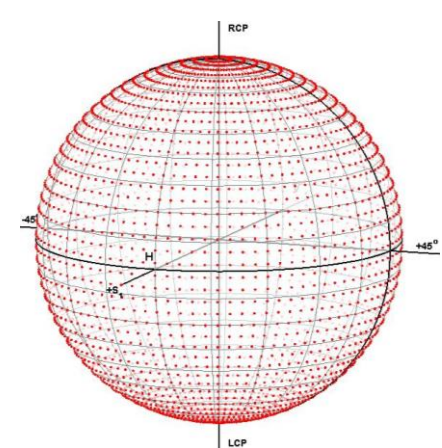
$$S_{out} = M_{\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Linear Horizontal



$$S_{out} = M_{\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Linear +45



$$S_{out} = M_{\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Right Circular

Still a work in progress

- ▶ Solution to current systems will need to be:
 - Single- or few-point solution
 - Endless tracking (i.e., no reset or operation discontinuity)
 - Feedback loop, detection and compensation
 - System time constants ~seconds
 - Dynamic excursions from experiment
 - Practical
 - Ease of use
 - Cost
 - Physical footprint
- ▶ Looking at all-optical solutions
 - Based on nonlinear interactions
 - Raman, four-wave mixing, SBS

Conclusion

► Timing issues

- Wavelength- and temperature-dependent Index of Refraction

- $\sim 21 \frac{ps}{^{\circ}F \cdot km} / \sim 38 \frac{ps}{^{\circ}C \cdot km}$

- In situ timing marks follow time variations

► State of Polarization

- Each time window will have unique state
- SOP distribution increases with time
- SOP relatively stable over ~1 hr and ~100s μs
- Polarization controllers effect SOPs differently

Questions?